

House Resolution 1554

By: Representatives Mumford of the 95th and Reese of the 98th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Vincent Washington for his role in saving the life of Kenny Edwards and
2 inviting him to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, when a recent crisis struck the Georgia Power General Services Headquarters
4 Repair Shop in Forest Park, Georgia, employee Vincent Washington, along with Matt
5 Dettmering, Jeff Dillard, Arthur Page, and Thomas Sellers, rose to the occasion to valiantly
6 save the life of co-worker Kenny Edwards; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards was working in a motor test pit when a sudden explosion flung
8 him against a metal beam, knocking him unconscious and stopping his heart; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Page immediately rushed to the aid of the severely burned Mr. Edwards,
10 swiftly extinguishing the fire and cutting off Mr. Edwards's shirt with a pocketknife; and

11 WHEREAS, after finding no pulse, Mr. Sellers and Mr. Dillard cautiously moved Mr.
12 Edwards into a proper position for Mr. Dillard to perform CPR until paramedics arrived; and

13 WHEREAS, using a recently installed defibrillator, Mr. Washington administered shocks to
14 Mr. Edwards and succeeded in reviving his heart; and

15 WHEREAS, with a cool head and a calm determination, Mr. Dettmering called 911 and
16 reported the details of this unfortunate accident and the condition of its victim; and

17 WHEREAS, swiftly and selflessly coming to the aid of a colleague in peril, the life saving
18 actions of these five extraordinary gentlemen are a testament to the power of heroism.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join together to commend Vincent Washington for his heroism and
3 thank him for his role in rescuing the life of Kenny Edwards.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Vincent Washington is invited to the House of
5 Representatives for purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate
6 copy of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the House.